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1. The main offices of the UB (Security Police) are on Stalina Avenue at the corner of Koszykowa Street and in a block of buildings on Swietej Teresy Street off Koszykowa Street. The official seat of the minister, the administrative departments, and the main prosecution office are located there. UB authorities try to create the impression that it is a normally functioning ministry like others.
2. For the civilian population, the most notorious branch of the UB is in the reconstructed Palace Mostowskich building on Przejazd Street near Plac Bankowy Square. That is the headquarters of the Internal Civilian Intelligence. Hundreds of UB agents enter and leave daily, concealing their faces from passers-by. There are special arrangements for torturing prisoners to extract confessions from them and to "prepare" prisoners for public trials. Bishop Kaczmarek was held in this prison, reportedly in a cell with icy water up to his armpits before he confessed. People explain his "confession" as a case comparable to that of the Moscow doctors who were released with the Soviet Government's statement that "unallowed methods" were applied during the investigation. This explanation neutralizes the Party's efforts to discredit church authorities in the eyes of the people. Since the arrest of the Polish Primate Wyszynski, he has probably been held in the Palac Mostowskich prison. He was arrested in the Primate Palace on Miodowa Street just after midnight, when about 100 UB armed agents surrounded the Palace.
3. The UB branch on Oczki Street at the corner of Chalubinskiego Street is concerned with internal military intelligence, and a certain number of Soviet military men are employed there. A large jail was built at this location just after the war in 1945. Probably Marshal Zymierski has been held here since his arrest in the spring of 1952. The circumstances of the arrest were not clear, even to his closest friends. He went to a health resort from which he never returned. Two of his brothers have also been arrested.

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4. A large new UB hospital was recently completed in the Sluzewiec suburb of Warsaw, near the horse-race track. This is the most modern hospital in Poland and its entire equipment was imported  except for the elevators which are Polish-made. 25X1

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